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OFFICERS OF U. OF I. KAPPA PHI KAPPA ARE ALUMNI

The four officers of the University of Illinois Chapter of the National Education Fraternity, Kappa Phi Kappa, are alumni of Southern Illinois Normal University.

They are: Kenneth Frasure, '37, president; Dallas Young, '36, vice-president; Harold Catt, '39, secretary; and James Seibert, treasurer.

Frasure will receive his Master's Degree from the University next month. The Ph. D. Degree will be conferred upon Young sometime this year. He completed work on his A. M. in 1937. Catt is doing graduate work in chemistry. Seibert is principal in Elementary school, Taylorville, and attends Saturday classes at the University.

Other Southern Alumni who are members of Alpha Nu Chapter of Kappa Phi Kappa at the University of Illinois are: Earl Thompson, Charles Matthews, Charles Bell, Forrest Gladson, George Arnold, George Land, Joe Wilkinson, Eldred Welch, James Gray and probably others.

McMAHON ELECTED PRESIDENT OF NEW ASSOCIATION

Ottis K. McMahon, '36, was recently elected president of the newly organized Illinois Elementary Principals' Association. Mr. McMahon is principal of the Elementary school in Carverville. He is vice-president of the Alumni Association.

McANDREW ELECTED OFFICER IN SOUTHERN ILLINOIS CIVIC GROUP

William McAndrew, alumnus, and head of the men's physical education department, was elected vice president for Carbondale of "Southern Illinois, Incorporated", an organization that owes its existence to the efforts of W. C. Lyerla, of Herrin, who is also an alumnus. Civic leaders from thirteen Southern Illinois communities met in Herrin and drew up objectives of the group.

They are as follows:

1. To advertise Southern Illinois beauty spots and its recreational and industrial advantages;
2. To begin a campaign of conservation for its coal mining and fruit raising industries;
3. To promote coordination with the Illinois Industrial Commission;
4. To sponsor a drive for new industries.

Of the persons in the organization appointed to serve in specialized groups, two faculty members of S. I. N. U., President Pulliam, and Dr. Harry T. Brainard, were chosen to serve on the research committee. It is the duty of this group to discover some of the necessary facts in presenting the case for southern Illinois to industries seeking new locations. This committee will also draw upon research departments of the railroads and upon data already available from several sources.

Three new members were added to the faculty recently, making a total of 18 in the last year.



S. I. N. U. MUSEUM EXTENDS EDUCATIONAL INFLUENCE; OFFERS SCHOOL LOAN SERVICE UNIQUE IN SCOPE AND VALUE

The museum on the campus of Southern Illinois Normal University is rapidly taking its place as an important factor in the improvement of teacher training, and in the advancement of the area which the college serves. Under the capable direction of Fred R. Cagle, '37, who has returned to his alma mater as a member of the faculty with a primary interest in the school, the museum is taking on new activity and prominence as an authentic source of scientific data. In the fields of archaeology, history, and biology. Located on the third floor of Parkinson Laboratory, the museum has also become a show-room for visitors to the campus. More than 3000 people have registered in the museum since school began last fall.

Specimens of native animals of Southern Illinois are being collected and mounted here, and many types of exhibits have been added to those already here. Schools in the territory are encouraged to bring their classes to visit the museum, where the students will see the animals reproduced in their natural habitats. More than thirty classes have been shown through the museum this year and other classes, on the elementary and high school levels, are urged to view the fine work being done here.

A second function of the museum has been brought into use by Mr. Cagle in allowing teachers of the region to check out catalogued specimens for a certain period of time for use as teaching aids in the natural and social sciences. This school loan service is unique and quite advantageous to schools, who obviously could not have such an extensive collection of wild life of the area. Any school in Southern Illinois is entitled to apply for borrowing such materials. The museum is preparing a booklet listing the specimens which schools may check out for teaching purposes. It will be ready for distribution in the Spring. School loan collections include specimens, charts, slides, models, and pictures.

The museum has two other primary functions dealing with its field of work: adult education and research on Southern Illinois. In each of these functions the museum is pioneering as far as this region is concerned.

Plans have been formulated to begin a series of illustrated lectures on

the adult level to be given on the campus at night. These lectures will strive to enlighten those who are interested and to attract numerous nature lovers and animal enthusiasts. A trip through the museum itself would be educationally worth while.

Research in the fields of archaeology, history, and biology in this territory has up to the present time been neglected. Scientists scattered all over the United States have written the school asking for technical information in a particular line of research concerning the animals, geology, or history of Southern Illinois. Always, the school has replied with the simple word "unknown." However, recent developments in the museum have made it possible to begin the study and collection of material along these lines, and soon there will be a substantial body of scientific knowledge concerning the region.

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SMITH-HUGHES WORK IN HOME-ECONOMICS OFFERED AT S. I. N. U.

With the increase in the personnel of the Home Economics Department and a change in the courses offered, Home Economics students at Southern Illinois Normal University may now complete the requirements which enable them to teach in Smith Hughes schools.

An interesting new course offered at Southern, which is one of the requirements for the Smith Hughes certificate, is Home Management. This course consists of lectures on the managerial aspects of homemaking with special emphasis upon the problems involved in the use of time, energy and money. Girls will obtain actual experience living in a Home Management House in groups of five or six for periods of six weeks. They will share the expenses cooperatively. The house will serve as a laboratory with opportunities for the solution of various household managerial problems.

It is suggested that alumni who desire to teach Home Economics in Smith Hughes schools take steps to complete the requirements, as soon as possible. Summer programs will be arranged with these people in mind.

S. I. N. U. CHOSEN FOR STUDYING IMPROVEMENT OF TEACHER EDUCATION

One of Fifteen in U. S. to Aid American Council on Education

The commission on Teacher Education Established by the American Council on Education has chosen Southern Illinois Normal University one of fifteen representative colleges throughout the United States to study the problems of the education of elementary and secondary school teachers.

Fifteen institutions where teachers are being trained and fifteen school systems concerned with the continued growth of staff members have been invited to join vigorously in the enterprise of attacking the problems of the education of elementary and secondary school teachers at both the pre-service and in-service levels. The Commission will seek to facilitate their efforts at self-improvement through attack, according to their own plans, upon problems which seem critical to them.

SINU, as a cooperating institution, will make certain definite contributions to the common enterprise undertaken by the Commission. It will free a portion of the time of one or more local staff members for duties related to the cooperative activity; help in arranging local conferences with representatives of the Commission and of other groups; arrange for representation at summer conferences and workshops; keep careful records of local plans and procedures; evaluate outcomes as carefully as possible; and share with others the results of their experimentation.

The other colleges included in the Commission's group of fifteen are:

- Claremont College, Claremont, California.
- Colorado State College of Education, Greeley, Colorado.
- Columbia University (Columbia College, Barnard College and Teachers College), New York, New York.
- Eastern Kentucky State Teachers College, Richmond, Ky.
- New Jersey State Teachers College, Newark, New Jersey.
- Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio.
- Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.
- Stanford University, Palo Alto, California.
- State Teachers College, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- State Teachers College, Troy, Alabama.
- University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska.
- University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina.
- University of Texas, Austin, Texas.
- Western State Teachers College, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

The S. I. N. U. committee working with the Commission on Teacher Education is inviting Alumni to cooperate in an attempt to re-evaluate the teacher training program offered by the college.

You are invited to write an article on what you consider to be a constructive criticism of the S. I. N. U. curriculum, or any part of it.

The best contributions will be published in this page.

THE SOUTHERN ALUMNUS

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GIFTS FOR SOUTHERN

One of the primary factors in the philosophy of American democracy has been the acceptance by all the people of the responsibility of providing an education for every child. As education became more firmly entrenched with American ideals through the years of the development of the United States, the amount of education provided at public expense increased to include secondary schools, and institutions of higher learning.

Today, the various states have in operation state universities and colleges for the purpose of offering a higher education to the children of all the people. These public colleges are among the strongest evidences of the better type of culture which we in the United States have realized under a democratic government.

However, as a result of a general business depression which has caused non-payment of taxes, and because of the widespread increase in college enrollments, schools which are supported by public taxation are suffering grave financial handicaps.

Private colleges have always been established and financed by individuals through endowments and bequests from personal fortunes. Thus it has been a natural step for the introduction of the practice of presenting gifts of money to publicly supported schools. "The need of the institution under public control for supplementary aid was expressed many years ago by Dr. Daniel Cort Gilman, when he was President of the University of California. Relying upon the public treasury for the things most essential, the University must look to men of wealth to provide the richer and more complete endowments which will place it by the side of older sisters in the East." This quotation comes from a booklet written by Raymond Walters, President of the University of Cincinnati, on "Gifts and Bequests for Higher Education." Mr. Walters is making a plea for financial assistance from people who can afford to give it, for the needs of the University, which cannot be satisfied with the limited public funds available. Last year the University of Illinois received almost \$200,000 in gifts, and the University of Pennsylvania received just under \$1,500,000 in contributions and bequests.

The pressing needs of Southern Illinois Normal University for such private assistance are obvious. Anyone would need to spend but one hour on this campus to see the crowded conditions, a library which turns away many students each day because there is not room enough to seat them; classes with eighty and one hundred students enrolled; basements being used for class-rooms. Even though the school is not equipped to serve such a large number of students, it is not fair to close the doors of higher education to deserving young people for whom this college is the only possibility.

There are many opportunities for people who have the means to give something worthwhile to S. I. N. U. When these gifts are made, they can be named for the donor and they will exist and live with the school for the use of generations of students yet to attend this college. Gifts ranging from half a million dollars for a new Library-Museum building to books valued at only a few dollars for the library shelves would all be welcome and worthy contributions. Other needs of the school, such as a printing and engraving shop, a swimming pool, a men's dormitory, a cafeteria, and a student-union building could well be filled by gifts or bequests from people who would like to place their money where it would be used for a cause which will promote and uphold the traditions of democracy which have made the accumulation of wealth possible.

H. G.

LIBERAL ARTS FOR S. I. N. U.

Rising through the years in educational prominence, Southern Illinois Normal University has grown into a fully accredited institution. Building upon the firm foundation of a faith in equal educational opportunity for all, this college has progressed step by step in its sixty-six years of existence, until it has gained national recognition and acclaim.

It is the only four-year accredited college in the South one-third of the state of Illinois, serving a territory which is the home of a million people. The only college available to many of the young men and women of Southern Illinois, S. I. N. U. this fall had a record enrollment of more than 2000 students. The school has been primarily concerned with the professional preparation of teachers for our schools. However, in its role as the one college which is accessible to many deserving students of the region, the school has striven to offer a background in the physical and biological social sciences and in the humanities to those who desire to go into fields other than teaching.

In this way, Southern has been building strong teaching departments in the arts and sciences. Because of its unique function in a territory so large, it would be a natural step for Southern Illinois Normal University to become a liberal arts college, offering in addition to the Bachelor of Education Degree, the Bachelor of Arts and the Bachelor of Science Degrees. Not inconceivable is the dream that someday this school will be equipped to confer the graduate degree of Master of Arts.

Certainly the young people in a territory as large as Southern Illinois deserve one college which will offer them an opportunity to obtain a liberal education at a reasonable cost. It is desirable that they be free to choose the field in which to work. At the

present time, the only such school in the region can offer but one type of training, a major in education with the preparation of teachers specifically in mind. Southern Illinois Normal University can very easily offer these other types of training with a minimum of added expenditure and expansion.

H. G.

DID YOU KNOW

The University catalogue containing class schedules for 1940 may be reorganized. If plans continue as expected, it will include pictures of the campus and will be bound in attractive colors. It may be made as large as any similar publication issued by teachers' colleges in the United States.

The students of S. I. N. U. have a plan of socialized medicine that includes medical attention and hospitalization up to \$15 for a cost of 80c per term. Another plan of cooperation which is proving successful is the book rental plan, wherein each student secures all the books needed for a fee of \$2.50 per term.

A weather station may be established on the campus to operate under the direction of the weather bureau of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Instruments will be furnished by the government, and the station will be directed by Dr. Thomas Barton of the geography department.

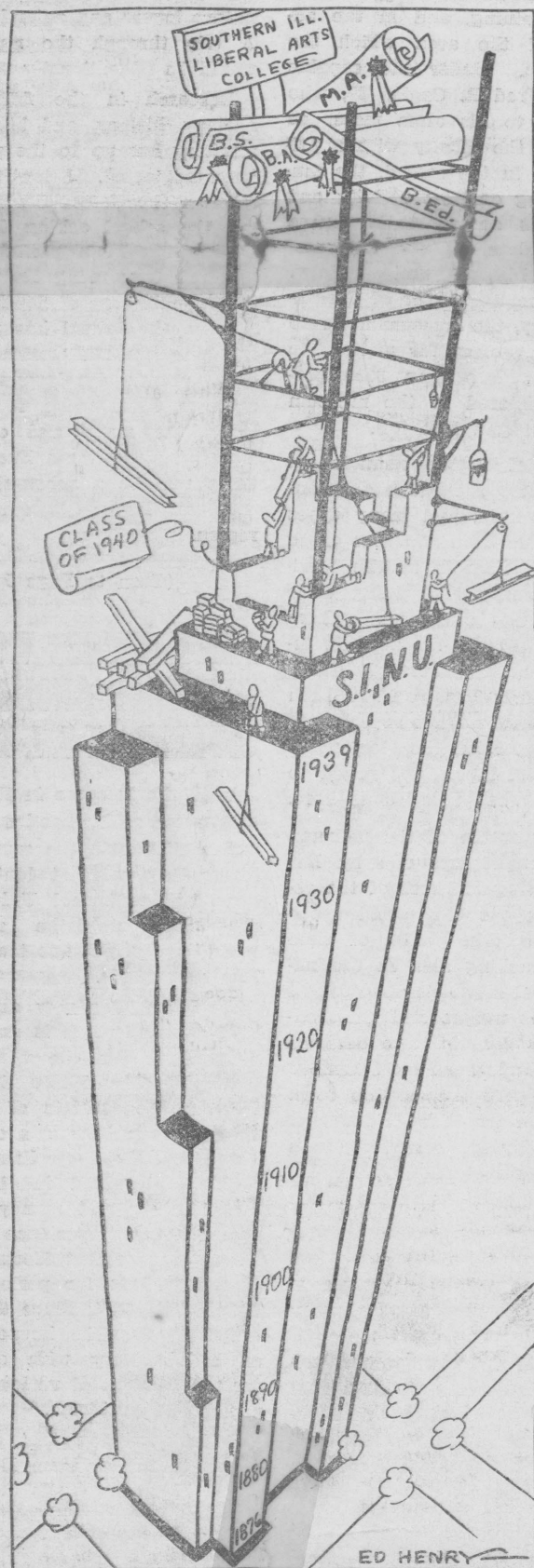
Plans are being discussed for the organization of an Interdenominational foundation on the campus. This foundation is being advocated by local churches and organizations such as the Y. M. C. A.

Dr. J. Cary Davis has several reels of excellent color film of campus and homecoming scenes which may be shown to any group interested for the asking.

Through the cooperation of the University of Illinois, extension courses offering graduate credit from the U. of I. is available on the campus of S. I. N. U. in Saturday morning classes. Credit earned in these courses may be applied toward the Master's Degree.

We want alumni and friends of the college to send in news and information concerning former students of the school.

Our definition of "alumnus" disagrees with the accepted conception. The word "alumnus" comes from a Greek word meaning "Student," and so we consider anyone who has ever been a student at Southern an alumnus, even though he attended only one day.



GOING UP.

DIRECTORY OF COUNTY ALUMNI OFFICERS 1939-'40

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Among Our Alumni



FRED R. CAGLE, '37.



GILBERT G. LENTZ, '31.



FRED L. WHAM.



EARL S. THOMPSON, '38.

Fred R. Cagle, '37, is director of the S. I. N. U. Museum, and a member of the faculty. Under his guidance, the Museum is taking on new importance as an educational force. A complete story concerning his work in the Museum may be found on page 1 of this issue.

Gilbert G. Lentz, '31, is employed in the Research Department of the Illinois Legislative Council in Springfield. Lentz is the son of Dean of Men, E. G. Lentz. He is married to Ella Mae Hallagan, '33. While a student at Southern, Mr. Lentz was president of the Junior class.

Since leaving S. I. N. U., he has received both the M. A. and the Ph. D. degrees from the University of Illinois in the field of political science. Lentz taught for three years in the Herrin High school before receiving his Doctor's Degree.

Fred L. Wham is United States District Judge in the Eastern District of Illinois. He attended S. I. N. U. periodically from 1901 to 1904. The University of Illinois conferred upon him the L. L. B. Degree in 1909. He has been judge of the Federal court in his district since 1927.

At S. I. N. U., Mr. Wham played football and basketball, and was a member of the Socratic Literary Society. He also played football at the University of Illinois, and some years ago was chosen as all-time Illinois tackle.

The Senior class of 1937 honored Mr. Wham by inviting him to deliver their commencement address. He served two years as the first president of the Alumni Association of the University of Illinois College of Law, and he has been superintendent of the Sunday school of the First Presbyterian church of Centralia, Illinois, for more than twenty years.

Earl S. Thompson, '38, has been appointed a full-time assistant for men's housing in the office of the Dean of Men at the University of Illinois. He consults with operators of rooming houses and with students regarding their housing problems.

Mr. Thompson attended Southern in '26 and '27, receiving an elementary teaching certificate. After teaching for about seven years in elementary schools near Centralia, Illinois, he returned to Southern, graduating with the class of '37. During his last two years he worked in Dean Lentz's office, and after graduation remained as a full-time assistant. Mr. Thompson was president of the Student Council in '37 and '38 and was a member of Kappa Phi Kappa and Philosophy Club.

Three sons of Mr. L. C. Petersen of the Industrial Arts Department, all Alumni, hold enviable positions. William is a technical draftsman at the United States arsenal at Rock Island, Illinois. Goodwin is connected with the Stewart-Warner Radio Co. of Chicago in the capacity of electrical engineer. Robert a '38 alumnus, is teaching Industrial Arts in the Anna high school. William was a tennis star at Port Peek, Montana, before he went to Rock Island. His wife, Ione, is an alumna of Southern.

Stanley Montieth, '38, is teaching in Cutler, Illinois High School. Mr. Montieth majored in history.

Dr. W. M. Gersbacher, '26, head of the Zoology Department, has recently received the honor of having his research referred to in a newly published book, "Bio Ecology".

Dr. Gersbacher, while working on his doctor's degree at the University of Illinois in 1937, indulged in extensive research in the development of stream bottom communities in central Illinois. Since this study enabled him to take an authoritative stand on this certain kind of animal life, his work has been a source of material that helped make up the book, "Bio Ecology".

The following quotation is found in the book: "Gersbacher has found that artificial pools are populated by species living in the natural pools of a stream that has been named, all the usual dominants being present. . . . etc." Dr. Gersbacher's name is included in the bibliography of the text.

An article appeared in the November issue of the Illinois Teacher by Mr. H. E. Bosley, '31, director of Wheeler Library. The article was entitled "Some Health Training Needs of Teachers". It is an abstract of an address by the author to the health education and biology sections at the sixth biennial meeting of the faculties of the Illinois State Teachers' Colleges at Springfield.

J. Roy Leevy, '26, a former zoology major, is now professor of education and sociology in Purdue University. Before he accepted his position at Purdue, he was principal of the high school at Westfield, Illinois. Work for his doctorate degree was completed last spring at the University of Indiana.

While at Southern, Mr. Leevy was active in campus affairs. He was a member of the Forum debating team, the Socratic Literary Society, the Egyptian staff, and the Student Council.

Mr. Leevy held the position of superintendent of schools at Equality for six years and at Westfield for five years. He has written for several top-ranking educational magazines.

During the Fall term Ruth Williams, '39, was given a position in the Garfield school, Maywood, Illinois, and Glynn Dameron was placed in the Robinson rural school, near Carterville.

Three sociology majors have been placed recently in social welfare work. Frank Reeves has secured a position in the relief office in Harrisburg; John Clayton and Harriet Baldridge are working as junior personnel technicians in the WPA office in Herrin.

The Elementary School Journal published an article entitled "Manual Arts and Crafts in the General Education Program" by President Roscoe Pulliam. In the article, Mr. Pulliam discusses the underlying assumptions regarding education, and the problems presented in carrying through an adequate program in this type of education.

Robert Sinks, of Cache and Frank Trobaugh, of West Frankfort, former students of Southern, were among those initiated into Phi Kappa Phi, University of Illinois, scholastic honorary, during the first semester.

Sinks is a student in the School of Engineering at Champaign, while Trobaugh is enrolled in the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Carl Gower, '32, received his Ph. D. Degree in Zoology from Michigan State College in 1937, and has recently been promoted in the Conservation Department of the State of Michigan to the Directorship of the Swan Creek Wildlife Experiment Station, at Allegan, Michigan. Mr. Gower was a member of the Orchestra, Band, Forum, and Zetetic Society.

F. Ernest Tuthill, '36, of Cypress, is teaching mathematics in Seymour High School. Mr. Tuthill is married, and has his Master's Degree from the University of Illinois. While in college, Mr. Tuthill was a member of Kappa Phi Kappa, Socratic Literary Society, Agriculture Club, and the Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Robert Dintelman, '36, is Superintendent of the Grade Schools in Carmi. He was recently married to Miss Elaine Ross of Boston and New York, and will receive his Master's Degree next summer. Mr. Dintelman attends Saturday classes on the S. I. N. U. campus, and is at the present time engaged in writing a book.

J. B. Whitlock, '37, is teaching music in the Conroy, Iowa, High School. He is located within thirty miles of the University of Iowa.

Phyllis Wiesman, '39, is teaching in Granite City. While in College she was a member of W. A. A., Y. W. C. A., Art Guild, Vice President of the Hall.

Oscar Wright, '38, is now teaching in the Ullin High School. He was a member of the Orchestra and Band.

James E. Murphy, '37, of Eldorado, is now a Music Supervisor on the W. P. A. Music Project. While attending S. I. N. U. Mr. Murphy was a member of the Zetetic Literary Society, Little Theatre, and the Macdowell Club.

Helen Louise Cole, '39, of Lovejoy, is now teaching Home Economics in the Cape Girardeau High School. She was Secretary of Sigma Gamma Rho, member of the Dunbar Society, and the Roland Hayes Club.

James J. Finley, '39, of Raleigh, is now a commercial chemist in St. Elmo, Illinois. While in college he was a member of the Zoology Seminar, and was Manager of the Gym Team in his sophomore year.

C. A. Russell is an official with the United States Army stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas. Mr. Russell was a well-known trackman at S. I. N. U. in 1933-34.

Harry C. Wilson, '34, is married to the former Laurene Jones, a member of Delta Sigma Epsilon. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson have one son. Mr. Wilson received his Master's Degree from Northwestern University in 1938, and is now teaching Chemistry and Physics in the Murphysboro Township High School. While in school, he was a member of Chemeka, La Reunion Gaillique, Band, Orchestra, and Science Club.

Virgil Wheatley, '38, is teaching at the Clay City High School. He was recently married to Mary Louise Zimmerman, alumna, who also teaches in Clay City.

Among Our Alumni

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Harold E. Grear, '28, is advertising manager of the Herrin Daily Journal. Mrs. Virginia Marmaduke Grear, '28, is society editor of the same paper in Herrin, Illinois. Mr. and Mrs. Grear are loyal, enthusiastic supporters of S. I. N. U.

George R. Wells, '31, taught science for the past seven years in the Farina High School. He is attending Saturday sessions at the University of Illinois, and will receive his Master's Degree soon. Mr. Wells was a member of the Strut and Fret, and of the Zetetic Society.

Lillie Hord, '33, is teaching Latin and English in the Beckemeyer, Illinois High School. While in College Miss Hord was prominent in the Women's League, Y. W. C. A., Socratic Literary Society, and French Club.

J. Fred Crouch, '37, of Sesser, is principal of the Cutler, Illinois High School. Mr. Crouch was a member of Kappa Delta Alpha Fraternity while in school.

Paul Leming, '38, of Cutler, is teaching in the Willisville High School. Leming has his Master's Degree from the University of Illinois. His major in college was Mathematics, and he was a member of Kappa Phi Kappa, honorary educational fraternity.

Barbara Burr Hubbs, '21, recently published a new history of Williamson county entitled "Pioneer Folks and Places". Mrs. Hubbs is now vice-president of the Southern alumni group of Cook county. She was a student assistant in Wheeler Library from '19-'21. Mrs. Hubbs and her husband, Stanley Hubbs, have collected traditions for the past twelve years. These form the basis of the book.

Edward Mitchell of Carbondale is doing work in speech this year at the University of Iowa.

Douglas Bartley of Pinckneyville has secured a teaching position in the elementary schools in his home town.

Theodore W. Paschedag, '37, who has received a master's degree in music at the Vander-Cook School in Chciago, recently published the first ensemble book for four flutes or four saxophones, which he wrote in collaboration with Forest L. Buchtel. Mr. Paschedag has been the director of the West Frankfort High School band for a number of years.

Marie Campbell, '32, is the author of "Possum and 'Taters" which was published recently in The South Literary Messenger. Miss Campbell has written several tales of the South. They have been published in such magazines as the American Folklore Journal and Childhood Education.

While attending this college Miss Campbell was quite active in the Illanae Debating Club. After graduating from here, she took graduate degrees at Peabody College in Nashville, Tennessee. She is at present, working on a book manuscript on folklore. She is on the faculty of the Berry Schools of Georgia.

Join the Alumni

If you are interested in a strong Alumni Association for S. I. N. U., if you are interested in the improvement of your alma mater, if you are interested in this publication—show your interest by joining the Alumni Association. Send in the blank for that purpose printed on page seven.

1939 Graduates Receive Assistantships, Scholarships to Universities

Students Carry Name of S. I. N. U. to Higher Instituitons in U. S.

Eight former S. I. N. U. students, seven of whom were graduated last year, were signally honored with assistantships to teach and attend graduate school in some of the country's finest universities. Three members of the graduating class of 1939 received scholarships to do graduate work because of their outstanding records at Southern.

Fred Roberts, of Carbondale, has an assistantship in chemistry at the Georgia Institute of Technology. Roberts, while a student at S. I. N. U., was a member of Chemeka, Delta Rho, the "I" Club, and gym team.

Willard A. Kerr, of Brookport, is now at Purdue University with an assistantship in Education. While in school, he was editor of the Egyptian, and a member of Socratic Literary Society, Zeta Sigma Pi, Kappa Phi Kappa, Commerce Club, Pi Delta Epsilon, and the Little Egyptian Philatelic Society.

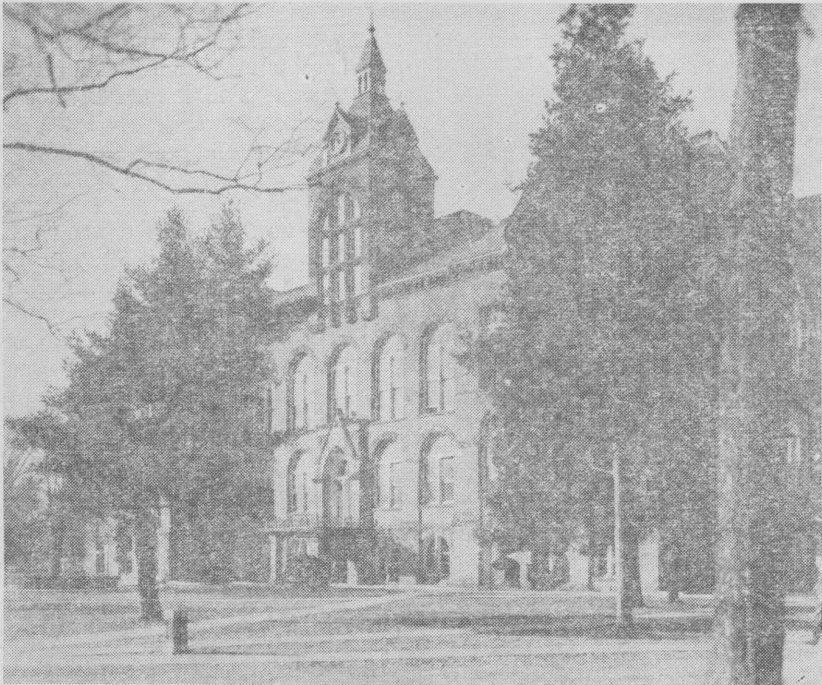
George Peabody College for Teachers granted Janet Perfetti, of Panama, an assistantship in English. She was a member of Y. W. C. A., Zeta Sigma Pi, Kappa Delta Pi, and Rural Life Club while at Southern.

The field of mathematics placed three assistants in universities last spring. Billie Ruth Gill, of Murphysboro, has an assistantship at Northwestern; Charles Matthews, of Marissa, at the University of Illinois; and Ronald Gulley, of Sesser, at the University of South Dakota. Miss Gill is a former member of the band, orchestra, and Delta Rho. Matthews, a graduate of 1937, was active on the Egyptian, Zetetic Literary Society, Kappa Delta Alpha, and Kappa Phi Kappa. While at S. I. N. U., Gulley was a member of Delta Rho and Kappa Phi Kappa.

Charles Mayfield, of Harrisburg, president of last year's Student Council, and member of Socratic Literary Society, Kappa Phi Kappa, Debate Club, Zoology Seminar, and Little Egyptian Philatelic Society, has an assistantship at Oberlin College in the field of Zoology.

Working in the field of wild life and mammals of the Ozark area, Paul Barnickol, zoology major, accepted an

WE WANT YOU TO CONTRIBUTE NEWS ITEMS TO THIS PUBLICATION. THE THINGS YOU KNOW ABOUT ALUMNI MAY BE THE THINGS WE MAY NEVER FIND OUT UNLESS YOU WRITE US ABOUT THEM.



BEFORE

assistantship at the University of Missouri. Barnickol was a member of Kappa Phi Kappa and the Zoology Seminar.

The name and reputation of Southern Illinois Normal University is being carried far and wide by these graduates whose work characterize the institution that sent them.

MADISON COUNTY ALUMNI GROUP HOLDS MEETING

The Madison county division of the Alumni Association met at Collinsville November 14. The meeting consisted of a banquet and informal program under the leadership of Mildred Walker, president of the Madison county group.

Dr. Harry G. Brainard of the economics department, faculty advisor of the Madison county division, represented the college at the meeting. A talk on the new alumni publication, "The Southern Alumnus," was given by Halbert Gulley, editor. Dr. J. Cary Davis of the foreign language department also attended the meeting and showed the group five reels of color film of campus and homecoming scenes.

The group, in spite of the small number, displayed great enthusiasm toward the news and pictures of S. I. N. U. Madison county alumni who attended the banquet were: Everett B. Burroughs, superintendent of schools in Collinsville, Paul Poretti and Mildred Walker of the Collinsville High school faculty, Emma C. Muser, Leota J. Dickson, Clara Krizton, Mary J. Ward, and Mrs. Maude Kimmel, all teachers in the Alton schools.

"SINOOS" TEAM AT U. OF I. VICTORIOUS TWICE IN LAST THREE YEARS

By OTTIS K. McMAHON, '36.

Three years ago, during the summer session of 1937, a group of men who were attending the University of Illinois organized a softball team composed mostly of fellows who had attended S. I. N. U. and entered the softball tournament which is sponsored each summer session by the "Daily Illini."

We succeeded in winning, the score of the championship game being 1 to 0. During the 1938 summer session practically the same group entered the tournament and was beaten in the championship game by a score of 2 to 1. During the last summer session, 1939, our team was successful in winning the championship again.

Each year the team played under the same name, "SINOOS," which comes from S. I. N. U.

Maroon Quintet Set Fast Pace; Win 10, Lose 2

Coach William McAndrew's Maroon quintet, setting a fast, mid-season pace, has marked up ten victories and two defeats. Arkansas State bowed to Southern in the season opener, 40-34.

A week later, a Culver-Stockton outfit threatened Southern victory but finally gave in, 30-29. The following night, Southern punched another hole in her victory card by defeating an independent squad, the Alton Onized Club, 45-30.

The Washington U. Bears of St. Louis faded out, 38-23, and the same week the Western Kentucky Teachers' quintet walked off the floor on the small end of a 38-32 score.

Dec. 22, Sparks Business College of Shelbyville tumbled 37-30.

In a double elimination tournament at Bloomington, Jan. 1-2, Southern



was crowded out in the semi-finals by the tournament winner, Illinois Wesleyan, 32-31.

Two nights later Southern lost on her own court to Southwestern Louisiana Institute, 31-29. In subsequent contests, Southern walloped Centenary 50-19, Jan. 6, and Sparks Business College again, this time 46-30, Jan. 9.

George Welborn, lanky Southern center, has led the scoring attack for the local boys, chalking up forty-three points in three games at the Bloomington tournament to put himself far in the lead.

Captain Bill Wolfinbarger of Carterville, considered one of the best aggressive guards in the conference, aided and abetted by such stalwarts as Pete Gardner of Eldorado, George Welborn of Centralia, Harry Durham of Woodriver, Bob Correll of Centralia, and Harold Robertson of Eldorado, are displaying a fine brand of basketball in the new gym this season.

Other reliables upon whom Southern success leans heavily are Bruce Church, Marissa; Ike Schaffer, Crossville; Harold Musgrave, Woodriver; Verdie Cox, Carbondale, and Bob Gray, Collinsville.

Durham and Musgrave are the only frosh on the roster.

The Maroon squad is somewhat taller and faster this year than last. And if the present freedom from injuries continues, Southern may take a hard lick at the conference title this year.

The remaining home games are:
Jan. 20—Charleston.
Jan. 25-26—Mexico City, Y.M.C.A.
Jan. 27—Macomb.
Feb. 21—Evansville.
Feb. 24—Normal.
Feb. 26—Cape Girardeau.

Kermit K. Chase, '34, is teaching languages at Prairie District 135 at Wayne City, Ill. He is also managing a 680 acre farm near Wayne City. He heads the S. I. N. U. Alumni Association of that county.



S. I. N. U. MUSEUM
EXTENDS EDUCATIONAL
INFLUENCE

(Continued from page 1)

The University of Chicago and the Federal government are cooperating to enable research to be carried on in the field of archaeology. Moreau Maxwell, who is working on his Doctor's thesis from Chicago University, is paid by the W. P. A. to do extensive research in this immediate vicinity. He has an office in connection with the museum, and spends all of his time in excavating and searching for evidence of the primitive peoples of this region. Recent excavations have been made in the Crab Orchard area in an attempt to determine how long ago the prehistoric Indian occupied this territory. The aim of the research is to examine the influences of the different tribes of Indians, and to reconstruct as fully as possible the complete life of these primitive races. Mr. Maxwell is most interested in the tribes who lived here three or four centuries before the white man came. Archaeological research is made much more difficult, according to Mr. Maxwell, because the findings of amateur excavators is misleading. Conclusions drawn from meagre evidence give a distorted picture of the composite life of prehistoric people. It will require time and patience to reach any reliable conclusions about the lives of primitive natives of Southern Illinois.

In the field of historical research, the W. P. A. will furnish an historian to make a study of the region and uncover the facts necessary to unify the history of the region. Members of the history department on the campus who will cooperate in this research are Dr. R. L. Beyer and Mr. John I. Wright.

Biological research has been carried on by Mr. Cagle, director of the museum. Last year the Illinois Academy of Science awarded to Mr. Cagle, as director of the museum, a research reward of \$85.00 to continue the survey of the reptiles and amphibians of Jackson and Union counties. Other surveys are being made by the museum, including one on "The Economic Significance of Predatory Reptiles of Southern Illinois." In connection with his museum research work, Mr. Cagle has written the following articles:

"Key to the Reptiles and Amphibians of Southern Illinois," a semi-popular key for use in the High school; "Teaching Unit on Turtles to Elementary Grades," in NATIONAL GRADE TEACHER; "Eggs and Natural Nests of Eumeces Fasciatus"; and "A Winter Aggregation of Siren Intermedia and Triturus Viridesceus." The last paper was written with Philip Smith, student, as junior author.

The immense task of reconstruct-

ing and modernizing display cases for the museum has been made much easier for the school by the aid of W. P. A. labor. Skilled carpenters, painters, artists, collectors, and stenographers paid by the Federal government have done work for the college that has been invaluable in improving the quality of the museum.

The following items are owned by the museum: Amphibians, 243; biological models, 100; birds, 472; marine animals, 226; fish, 152; plant specimens, 3,485; lantern slides, 100; fossils, 331; mollusca, 1049; picture collection, 641; and reptiles, 575.

The museum has four definite functions: to serve the schools of the region by loans of materials, lectures, and exhibits; preservation of objects of scientific and historical significance, biological, geological, and historical; research in the natural and social sciences concerning this territory; and adult education through exhibits and lectures.

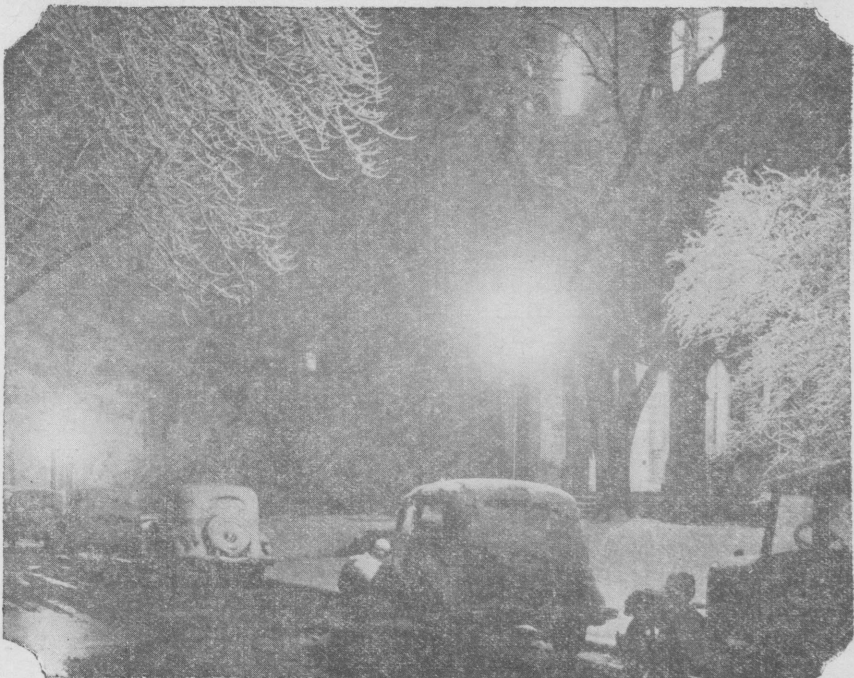
Mose M. Hall, '17, formerly of Carbondale, is now in the Indian Service in Albuquerque, New Mexico, teaching on an Indian reservation. Previously Mr. Hall taught English in an Indian Boarding School. Mr. Hall is spending the winter in Carbondale with his mother, who lives at 900 West Grand.

Eleanor Etherton, '35, is teaching in the Harrisburg High school.

Paul Meek, '39, is employed as a private bookkeeper at Campbell Hill, Illinois.

Frank W. Kern, '39, teaches in Ewing rural schools.

James A. Birchler, '39, is teaching in Modoc Elementary school.



AFTER

Placements Office Releases Report
of Last Year's Teaching Vacancies

The following table of figures has been released by the Placement's Office showing the vacancies which have occurred in the various high school teaching fields during the past year. The table reveals some significant statistics.

Teaching Field	I Total No. Vacancies	II Subject Alone	III In Combination with other Subjts
Biology	34	1	33
Chemistry	2	0	2
Commerce	75	37	38
English	91	7	84
French	7	1	6
German	2	0	2
Latin	50	1	49
Gen. Science	25	2	23
Geography	8	0	8
Home Economics	27	7	20
Industrial Arts	10	2	8
Mathematics	56	4	52
Music	36	7	29
Phys. Educ. (Men)			
Coaching & P. E.	45	2	43
Phys. Educ. (Women)	16	3	13
Physics	20	0	20
Social Science			
Combined Subj.	19	5	14
Civics	6	0	6
Economics	6	0	6
History	33	4	29
Sociology	3	0	3
Speech	8	0	8

In comparing columns II and III we find that in the largest number of vacancies reported in each field, it was requested that candidate teach more than one subject. This situation would seem to lead to the conclusion that the more versatile candidate has a better chance for placement. The only field in which there appears to be any significant variation from the general trend is the field of commercial subjects. Here we find that the demand is about fifty per cent for commerce teachers who teach only commercial subjects, such as shorthand, typing, bookkeeping, salesmanship, etc. In all other academic subjects, however, the emphasis seems to be on widely varied teaching combinations rather than on highly specialized preparation.

Requests Come From Small Schools

These requests for teachers came mainly from small and medium-sized high schools in Southern Illinois, where the curriculum and faculty limitations must be considered in a comparison of this type. The larger high schools may find it possible to hire teachers for only one or two subjects, but in such cases actual teaching experience and higher academic preparation are usually required of the candidate.

Average Combination Is Three or Four Subjects

The average teaching combination expected of a teacher consists of three or four subjects. In many cases, the combination required is even more expansive. The subjects to be taught may be in either related or unrelated fields. The only consistencies of combination noted in the compilation of these figures were in the four leading fields: English, which may be found in combination with every subject listed; commerce, most often found in combination with English; history, and mathematics; mathematics, most often found in combination with physics, chemistry, and biology; Latin, most often found in combination with history and English.

Barbara Burgess is attending Eureka College near Chicago. She was a member of MacDowell Club and Delta Sigma Epsilon Sorority.

Frances Shepard and Eloise Seymour, former students here, are attending Illinois State Normal University at Normal.

Paul Waters, alumnus, is attending Illinois Wesleyan at Bloomington. Waters is a former member of Little Theatre and Chi Delta Chi fraternity.

J. J. Deen, '39, is teaching in the Irvington High school.

James A. Logan, '39, is employed in Christopher Elementary schools.

William Spear, '39, is teaching in Ashley Elementary schools.

REMEMBER WHEN?

By DR. J. W. BARROW, '98.

Footprints that I've made in the sands of time during my college days are so faint to me now, I can hardly remember what happened. However, I do recall many obvious differences. For instance, we didn't have many extracurricular activities then, but we survived anyway. In fact, we were so busy studying we didn't have any diversions except the Socratic and Zetetic Literary Societies.

During week-ends I can remember studying most of the time although we loafed around and visited once in a while. We didn't go to football games because there wasn't any team, but in the spring baseball was popular.

The motto of the boys then was "live and let live", but in those days the instructor had different ideas. Every faculty member usually exercised his power. For instance, I remember one old gray haired man who had a way of looking over his glasses in a quizzical manner. He would take roll in the morning and at four o'clock. As he boomed out his authoritative voice, a favorite trick was to take an old washer and roll it up the aisle and watch it roll around and finally stop. Then he would turn judge. Cuts in those days were something unheard of. That four o'clock call was about as popular as a centipede in a lady's boudoir.

In summing up college life during my day, I'd say that the students then had to study more, but I believe that pupils now learn more if they try. They have a chance to broaden their personality, also, but even at that I don't believe I would change my old experiences if I had the chance.

By W. C. FLY, '98.

The entire social life of S. I. N. U. hinged around the two literary societies in the nineties while I was in school. The Socrats used to meet at the south end and the Zetets at the north end of the fourth floor of the Main Building.

The Socratic Literary Society was organized about 1876, several years before I came to the campus, by Wilf Warder, who became an attorney at Marion, Illinois, and who is now deceased. The Society was first established for men only, and it held its first meeting on the fourth floor of Main with a packing box for a desk and a coal oil lamp for light. The four floor was an attic with rafters exposed overhead.

Later the building of which I was a proud member, moved to the southeast corner of the third floor, Main, the only building standing on the campus at the time, with the exception of the old heating plant which stood just west of where the Old Science building now stands, and a temporary wooden structure which stood on the same site as the Old Science building. Evidence of the old heating plant may still be seen by the old covered well at the southwest corner of the Old Science building. The temporary wooden building which was standing at that time had been built when the Old Main building burned in 1883. The temporary building was still in use

No doubt YOU remember such interesting things as these when you were in school at S. I. N. U. Why don't you write them up and mail them to us? Your old classmates would enjoy having the good old days brought back to mind.

as a gymnasium even after the new Main building had been built on the same foundation as the old one.

At the time the Socratic society met in the southeast corner of the third floor, Main, which is now a math room, the Zetetic society met in the northeast corner of the third floor, which is now an English office. The two societies met on Friday night at the same time, and the rivalry was keen. By this time, the Socratic society had admitted women into their selected ranks, and the fellows from the rival organizations went to any end to attract the coeds away from their enemy society.

The school was expanding while I was a student and room was becoming a pressing problem just as it is now. Since Main was the only permanent building standing, additional room was needed. At that time, the president's office was in what is now a German recitation room on the second floor of Main north of the Education office. Miss William's art room was then called the "Reception Room", with a thick carpet on the floor and paintings on the walls. The registrar's office was located in the room which was recently changed from the EGYPTIAN office into a history office. The library was where Miss Roach's art room now is. The present economics classroom on the first floor then housed the museum. The need for more room was answered for a time by the construction of what is now called the Old Science building. It was built on the site of the wooden building used for a gymnasium, in 1898, the year I was graduated.

In those days the school published a magazine called the "Normal Gazette" which was the only school publication. It appeared once a month. It was very well edited and usually contained some good articles. John T. Galbreath was the student editor while I was in school. Afterwards Galbreath became owner and editor of the Carbondale Free Press.

As far as I know, Dr. Barrow and I are the only persons who have known personally every president the school has ever had.

The first president of the school, Dr. Allyn, came here from McKendree college. Dr. Allyn grew old in this office and retired. John Hull, then Registrar, was appointed Regent, and as such acted as president of the school until the Board engaged Dr. Everest to fill the position. Dr. Everest had been a classmate of James A. Garfield. He remained here only a few years, and was succeeded by Professor Parkinson, who was head of the combined physics and chemistry department, who had been on the faculty since the school was established. Succeeding Dr. Parkinson, H. W. Shryock, then head of the English department, became president. In my opinion, Mr. Shryock was the finest English teacher I have ever known. At Mr. Shryock's death in 1935, the present president, Mr. Roscoe Pulliam of Harrisburg, was appointed to fill the vacancy.

WHERE ARE THEY
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It would be interesting to know the whereabouts of the oldest living graduates of Southern Illinois Normal University. There are records showing that many of the earliest alumni are now deceased. However, several are known to be living, and some of them have shown active interest in the school. Below is a list of those persons in the first five graduating classes from this school who, as far as the college's records show, are still living. Some of them have failed to answer correspondence at their last known address. Doubtless others of them have passed on. We would like to have any information about the persons listed:

1876
Beverly C. Caldwell, Carbondale.
*Mary Wright, Menomonie, Wisconsin.

1877
*Belle Barnes (Mrs. H. H. Green), Bloomington, Illinois.
1878
Dr. Delia Caldwell, Carbondale.
*Orcelia B. Hillman, (Mrs. B. Merrill) Hutchinson, Kansas.
*Reuben Edward Pierce, Genoa, Illinois.
Edward H. Robinson, Chicago, Illinois.
David G. Thompson, Mt. Vernon, Illinois.

1879
*Andrew C. Burnett, Joplin, Missouri.
*George H. Farmer, Candale, Arkansas.
Lyman T. Phillips, Nashville, Ill.

1880
*Lauren L. Bruck, Chicago, Illinois.
*Henry A. Kimmel, Benson, Arizona.
Albert B. Ogle, Belleville, Illinois.
Frank P. Rentchler, Los Angeles, California.
Anna G. Warder, (Mrs. C. J. Michlet), Wilmette, Illinois.

Those names checked with an asterisk (*) are those of whom the college has no authentic record. The others have communicated with the school at some time or other. We are particularly anxious to discover if any of these graduates are still interested in the school, and we would like for all of them to write us a letter.

STUDENT COUNCIL
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CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN

A health clean-up campaign recently started by the Egyptian and the student council, is a new project that is hoped will benefit the students of S. I. N. U. The sanitation committee appointed by the two groups is backing drives to better unfavorable conditions found in some of the restaurants, cafes, and other eating places about the campus.

Elbert Fulkerson, '26, is principal of the Carterville High school which is a training school associated with this university. His wife is the former Emma Mossberger, who has also attended S. I. N. U.

WHOM WOULD YOU
LIKE TO LOCATE?

Is there some Alumnus of S. I. N. U. that you would like to get in touch with? If there is, drop us a card and we will try to locate him or her for you if we can. If necessary, we will use the columns of this publication.

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W. C. Fly, '38, is manager of the college book store. He is a former member of the Socratic Literary Society and Glee Club. Mr. Fly married Bertha Spence of the class of 1900.

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MARRIED

Royce Lovelace, '39, to Cathryn Futrelle, alumna, at Hurst, Illinois, Sunday, October 15, 1939. The groom has done additional graduate at the University of Illinois, and teaches mathematics and history at the Cambria High School. Mrs. Lovelace taught in the Hurst Grade Schools before her marriage. They are making their home in Hurst.

An interesting highlight in the wedding ceremony was the number of S. I. N. U. students and alumni who took part. Among them were Mrs. Harley Teel, Herman Easterly, George Porter, and Lula Rose Sanders.

E. LaVern Marietta, '38, to Neola Whitlock, '39, on May 19, 1939. Mr. Marietta teaches commerce in the Shawneetown High school, and the former Miss Whitlock teaches in the Elementary school in the same city. While students, Mr. and Mrs. Marietta were loyal members and officers of the Socratic Literary Society, sang in the MacDowell Club, and Mr. Marietta was a member of Kappa Phi Kappa.

Raymond DeJarnett, '36, to Fern Moye, an alumna, in August, 1939. Mrs. DeJarnett, while a student was a member of the Socratic Literary Society, Y. W. C. A. and the MacDowell Club.

Dallas M. Young, '36, to Christina R. Easton in August, 1939. Mr. Young was a history major at S. I. N. U. Since his graduation, he has secured his A. M. from the University of Illinois and is working toward the Doctor's Degree. He is writing a dissertation on "The Progressive Miners of America, 1932-1939."

Glen Wickam to Jane Anderson, in July, 1939. Mr. and Mrs. Wickam have just recently announced their marriage. They are making their home in Evansville, Indiana, where he is manager of a paint store. The former Miss Anderson was a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma.

Russell Boren, '39, to Guinna Cotter, '39, on August 6, 1939. Their marriage did not become commonly known until recently. Mr. Boren is a Cadet at the Naval Air Training Station at Pensacola, Florida. Mrs. Boren was Homecoming Queen in 1938.

NOTE:

We have not been able to gather enough information on marriages and such things happening to alumni. The only way we can gather such news is for YOU to send it in when it happens. Unless there are more news items of such a nature contributed, we cannot print a larger number.

Dean J. De Lay, '28, coaches and teaches at the Keyesport, Illinois, High school.



Application for Membership

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John Barr Foster, district NYA director, in making Wheeler library headquarters for braille books, said: "I consider it significant in the development of this College as a foremost cultural center of this region that it is the first educational institution in the state, beside the School for the Blind, to incorporate a braille department into its library, and to extend this sort of service to all people wanting it."

Requests are being received from all parts of the country for both fiction and non-fiction volumes available through the library free of charge. Requests for books should be addressed to the Braille Department, Wheeler Library, Southern Illinois Normal University, Carbondale.

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EIGHT PROFESSORS EMERITUS ACTIVE AND INTERESTED IN SCHOOL

Southern Illinois Normal University has eight retired faculty members who are Professors Emeritus, and who are still interested in the work and progress of the college. They are: Mr. J. M. Pierce, Mr. W. O. Brown, Mr. Frank H. Colyer, Mr. George W. Smith, Dr. Delia Caldwell, Miss Mary M. Steagall, Mr. George D. Wham, and Miss Florence King.

Professor Pierce celebrated his 80th birthday just before the holidays last year. Professor Smith, formerly a teacher of history, is at the present time writing a book on Abraham Lincoln. The civic group here which is attempting to preserve the beauty spots in Giant City State Park has asked the cooperation of Miss Steagall, former head of the Zoology Department. Mr. W. O. Brown is active in publicity work in the counties the school serves. Dr. Caldwell, who served for fifteen years as school physician, lives in Carbondale at the present time. Formerly a critic in the Allyn Building Training School, Miss King now lives in Minneapolis, Minn. Mr. Colyer lives in Carbondale, and follows as a hobby the keeping of a weather station. Former Dean George D. Wham has been honored by the establishment of the George D. Wham Scholarship Award.

In many other ways, these former members of the S. I. N. U. faculty maintain their loyalty to the school.

JOHN STEVENSON, '05, WILL SPEAK AT COMMENCEMENT

John A. Stevenson, '05, formerly a prominent educator, now president of the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company, has been selected by the senior class to make the commencement address in June.

Stevenson, a native of Cobden and a graduate of S. I. N. U. in 1905, has since become eminently successful in two fields. He served on the faculty of the University of Wisconsin after acquiring his Master's degree there, and later became a faculty member of the University of Illinois. He has a Doctor's degree from that institution.

During his career he has found time to write several books. Among these are: "The Project Method of Teaching," "Meeting Objections," "Selling Life Insurance," "Farm Projects" (with Carl Colvin), "Constructive Salesmanship," "Problems and Projects in Salesmanship," and "Education and Philocentrophy." He is the co-editor of Harper's Life Insurance Library.

SENIOR CLASS TO SPONSOR ALEXANDER CONSERVATION UNIT

The senior class of '40 with the help of the Geography and Geology departments is sponsoring the Alexander Conservation Unit to be located between Forest and Lake street, West Mill and Grand avenue. The 1.8 acre plot will be of value to such departments as botany, zoology, geography, art, and student training.

Hubert Davis, president of the senior class, is directing the drive to secure the money necessary to purchase the land now belonging to the Reverend Mr. Alexander.

The fund of \$600 that must be raised to purchase the area is the goal set forth by the committee of seniors headed by Charles Pardee, Jr. Members of this group will canvas the student body, faculty members and downtown business-men for donations to cover the cost.

Among persons who have contributed to the fund are President Roscoe Pulliam, Reverend Alexander, Dr. T. F. Barton, Mr. F. W. Cox, Miss Marjorie Shank, Dr. Mary Steagall, Miss Hilda Stein. Other pledges are being accepted at present.

The area will serve as a place to hold living exhibits for field classes, as a demonstration area for new methods of caring for trees, and as a location for field research.

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